

## DOLLAR IN BERLIN REACHES 215 MARKS

Jumps From 189 in One Day Amid Wild Excitement.

### FEAR LOSS OF THE RUHR

Doubt Expressed of Adoption of Wrecking Policy to Avoid Reparations.

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The Berlin stock market experienced the wildest scenes in its history to-day, when the dollar rose to 215 marks from Saturday's quotations of 189. Brokers snatched papers from each other's hands in their mad excitement.

Only 33 per cent. of the dollar orders could be covered, with the result that a further decline in quotations on the mark is awaited. It is announced that the Boerse will be open on Thursday only for this week.

Berlin dealt on its own responsibility yesterday, for the closing New York quotations of the previous trading day, which nominally decides Berlin buyers, were let out of consideration.

The fall in the mark continues to be ascribed chiefly to the Upper Silesian decision by the Council of the League of Nations, and the argument in the stock market here is that the loss to Germany of more than half her coal mines and nearly all her zinc mines does irreparable injury to German industrial strength, and, hence, reduces the value of German money. It is a paradox of the situation that while the mark falls stocks of the Upper Silesian companies keep pace with the value of the dollar.

On the surface this would make the theory that the Upper Silesian verdict by the Council is blameworthy for the crisis appear as an absurdity. But it is explained in Berlin Stock Exchange circles that there is a campaign on by German owners of Upper Silesian properties to keep a tight hold on a majority interest in all the mines and factories in the territory ceded to Poland, and every time Upper Silesian paper appears for sale it is immediately snatched up.

### Wrecking Policy Doubtful.

THE NEW YORK HERALD correspondent here discussed with competent observers the question of whether the German industrialists are now driving through with their long threatened "catastrophe" policy. They point out in the main the same things; namely, that the Germans themselves would have little to gain by such a policy, because it would end in the loss by Germany of the Ruhr coal basin to France.

The chief advantage they could expect would be to find themselves unable to meet the reparation payments through inability to buy dollars and, therefore, would be in a position to invoke a new examination of Germany's ability to pay, as they would be entitled to do under the Versailles treaty. Whether the Guarantee Commission would undertake such a test if it suspected Germany of having abetted in the fall of the mark might be questioned, but it is realized that it would be difficult to prove Germany's official complicity, especially if the plan for the \$1,000,000,000 credit loan is consummated.

Those acquainted with the French state of mind regard it as certain that France will seize the Ruhr rather than let Germany evade payment of the reparations. Indeed, it is thought here that France will try to do so whether Ger-

## UNEMPLOYMENT IS CAUSING MANY HUSBANDS TO DESERT

Domestic Relations Court Facing Problem of Forcing Men Without Earnings to Support Their Families—Few Have Savings.

Unemployment is bringing an unusually large number of husbands to the Domestic Relations Court, where the law attempts to patch up marital disagreements and to see that the wife and children get fair play. Cases of desertion have increased as the army of the jobless has grown larger day by day. These facts were stated yesterday by City Magistrate Raphael Tobias, at the Yorkville Court, who spoke with authority on the cases which have to do with the financial agreement between husbands and wives who are separated, and by Nathan Goodman, assistant counsel of the National Desertion Bureau, Inc., of 318 Second avenue.

From thirty-six to forty-two cases are on the daily calendar at the Yorkville Court and of these about 30 per cent. are cases where the husband is out of work, according to Judge Tobias. This is a larger number than ordinarily figures on the calendar, he said. "Here is a case illustrative of the conditions we find to-day," he remarked as the clerk escorted into the Magistrate's chamber a young man and young woman, husband and wife, who live under the same roof with their three children, but who do not speak to each other. The man, who is in the cloak and suit trade, is out of work just now and his wife wanted a weekly allowance. She was attractedly dressed. The husband was rather sheepish looking. Both refused to address each other and conducted their affairs entirely through the magistrate and their counsel.

"I'm out of work, Judge," the husband explained. "And I can't pay all the money just now, but I'll see that my three children are taken care of. After election work will start up again and I'll make good."

When the husband does work he earns about \$65 a week. He entered into a

court agreement whereby he is to give his wife \$30 a week. The Magistrate will decrease the amount when the man makes good wages again; the weekly budget will be boosted to bring up the average during his jobless period. "There are many such cases," Magistrate Tobias remarked. "This is typical. They are not all new. A number are desertion cases where an arrangement must be made by the court, and if this arrangement between husband and wife is not carried out then the case again comes before us. I have studied the employment situation. I know the average wages the men in the various trades earn, and their earning capacity is the basis of the financial agreement between the pair."

"Not only is our daily calendar filled with a greater number of desertion cases just now but there is a greater number of desertions based upon lack of employment. Some of the husbands we see are ex-service men; occasionally we have men in active service, but the majority are men in the trades. The unemployment situation is serious, and wives, particularly those with children, are having a hard time getting along. How can a man provide money for his family if he isn't earning any and hasn't saved any? And most of these men have not nothing by."

Mr. Goodman said that investigators for the National Desertion Bureau reported a greater number of desertion cases this autumn than in a long time, and the increase is attributed principally to unemployment. The psychology of these men, which is a feature of the investigator's study, has been carefully gone into, he said. Some of the investigators report that the moral standards among men who are thrown out of employment prefer to desert their wives and children rather than see them want for the necessities of life.

### CROSS BAY BOULEVARD BUILDER IS SELECTED

Bids were opened in Queens yesterday for the Cross Bay Boulevard, extending from Woodhaven, Queens, across Jamaica Bay to the Rockaways, which will be shortened by thirteen miles the distance to the Rockaways. It will be nine miles long and 100 feet wide, with a concrete roadway for automobiles. Construction is expected to be started this fall.

On the two specifications the low bidder was Smith, Hauser & McLean, Inc., 18 East Forty-first street, at \$2,859,297 for 15-inch concrete piles and \$2,862,380 for 24 inch. Four bidders submitted estimates. Borough President Connolly notified the low bidder to prepare a bond of \$1,000,000 at once so that the contract may be drawn.

The city engineers estimated the cost at \$3,500,000. The cost will be borne by the entire city.

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## JAILBREAKERS FAIL BUT BATTER KEEPER

Five Prisoners in Nassau County Prison Make Desperate Fight for Liberty.

Five of the prisoners in the Nassau County Jail at Mineola, L. I., attempted to escape early last night. Richardson Combes, 50, the keeper in charge of the cell tier in which they were confined, was beaten into insensibility, and the prisoners, all of whom are awaiting trial on charges of robbery, were trying to get out of the corridor in which the battle occurred when armed keepers, answering Combes' shouts for help, drove them back with clubs and revolvers. Combes' condition is serious.

The attempted break, it is believed, resulted from the conviction and sentencing to forty years at Sing Sing of John Haulisch, 42. Haulisch was sentenced and taken to Sing Sing by Sheriff Charles Smith yesterday. Judge Lewis J. Smith of the Nassau County Court, who sent Haulisch away for what may be the remainder of his life, let it be known he intended dealing harshly with convicted robbers and burglars in the future. Haulisch's son, Clifford, 18, also convicted but not sentenced, carried back the sentence of Judge Smith's threat when he was returned to the jail to await sentence, and it is believed that fear of a similar fate, should they be convicted, impelled the five prisoners to try a dash to liberty.

Combes entered the tier about 7 o'clock. The prisoners had just finished supper. Combes, noticing nothing unusual, opened the barred door to the tier and entered.

He had scarcely stepped inside the door when he was felled by a blow on the head that laid his scalp open and may have fractured his skull. The iron leg of a washstand was used by the man who hit him. He was dazed for a moment, but he then began to shout for help. Prisoners in other parts of the jail heard him and some of them took up the cry. While Combes was being punched and kicked as he lay on the stone flagging the shouts became loud enough to be heard in the keepers' room downstairs. Other keepers, led by John McCaffery, rushed to Combes' assistance.

The tier in which the escape had been planned was in an uproar by the time help reached Combes. He was lying unconscious and two of the men were searching his pockets frantically for his keys. McCaffery rushed at them with a club in one hand and a revolver in the other. They ran back to the cells leaving their three companions to fight the battle alone. The three were quickly overpowered and locked up.

According to Sheriff Smith, who returned an hour later from Sing Sing, the men who tried to escape were James Stapleton, 19; Benjamin Siegel, 18; Simon Kasan, 17; Charles Kelly, 17, and Olaf Olafson, 20. All of them, he said, are awaiting trial for various degrees of robbery, two of them having been arrested in connection with holdups in Sea Cliff and Westbury.

Combes was attended by Dr. G. P. Cleghorn, jail physician, and later removed to his home in East Rockaway.

## BUSINESS PROBLEMS SOLVED BY MACHINES

Exposition Has Bewildering Array of Devices.

It was problem day at the Business show in the Central Mercantile Building in West Eighteenth street, yesterday. It was a day devoted by the host of concerns which are exhibiting office equipment and systems, to convincing the business man who is not as modernized as he might be that it is time he had more office machinery to do the work of fewer clerks and assistants.

Men with problems were shown a bewildering variety of types of machines of which the least efficient seemed able to do the work of a half score of fastidious clerks. There were machines to add, and to subtract, and to compute interest, and to do double entry book-keeping, and make up bills and monthly statements, and register the buyer's purchase and tie up his bundle for him to take home. Others were duplicating and stamping machines, machines to change coin and endorse checks, to figure costs, stamp envelopes and seal them, open letters, distribute mail, sharpen pencils and pay out money.

There is one machine which is announced as so capable of digesting a salesman's results that on the next occasion of his going out he is planned, routed and despatched better than he could possibly do it himself.

### REPLEVINS \$115,000 HE SAYS PROTEGES TOOK

Salt Lake Man Finds Securities in Deposit Box.

Liberty bonds, mining stock and jewelry valued at \$115,000 were replevined yesterday by Deputy Sheriff Rooney from a vault in the National City Safe Deposit Company, on a writ sworn by Henry Newell, prominent citizen of Salt Lake City, who claims the property as his. His affidavit, presented here by Emory R. Buckner, counsel for the Salt Lake City banking firm of Walker Bros., which is handling Mr. Newell's affairs, alleges the securities and jewelry were wrongfully brought East by one William H. Newell and his wife, Mrs. M. L. Newell.

This couple, Mr. Newell's affidavit relates, lived with him for many years as his son and daughter-in-law, though Newell was no relative either by blood or adoption. Recently they left for New York, and after they had gone he alleges he discovered the strong box in his home had lost all its valuable contents.

The last address Mr. Newell knew of the couple was 576 Fifth avenue, Brooklyn.

## GIRL'S STORY FREES TWO ACCUSED MEN

Still Dazed From Fall From Window, Miss Sutoris Exonerates Companion.

Special Despatch to THE NEW YORK HERALD, BOSTON, Oct. 18.—Miss Ethel Sutoris, the twenty-year-old music student of Fort Washington avenue, New York, who jumped, fell or was thrown out of the window of her room, Newbury street, Back Bay, is still too dazed to give a clear account of what happened to her.

Judge Hayden in the Roxbury Court to-day ordered the release of David H. Lythgoe, her instructor, with whom she boarded, and Raymond Rinaldo, a fellow student. The Judge remarked in disposing of the cases that as Miss Sutoris was now reported to be recovering at city Hospital it would be possible for her to bring charges later against any one whom she might accuse.

Miss Sutoris told the notice she accompanied Lythgoe and Rinaldo on an automobile ride, during which Lythgoe was left at the home of an Italian doctor in the North End and she and Rinaldo continued the ride. Returning to the Newbury street house they chatted until about 11:30 P. M., she said, when Lythgoe came home.

She said that after she had gone to her room, locked the door and undressed she heard loud talking, part of which seemed to be by an intoxicated man. Then she heard a voice she said sounded like Rinaldo's, saying: "No, I will not let you go up there."

She says she heard a scuffle and pushed her trunk up to reinforce the door. After that her memory went blank. She is also quoted as saying that she jumped from the window, as she feared an attack.

Miss Sutoris was X-rayed to-day at the hospital, and it was announced that the examination showed that there were no bones broken.

Her father told the court that the girl is or was an excessively nervous temperament and highly excitable.

### FIRST TUFTS HEAD HONORED.

MEADOW, Mass., Oct. 18.—The one hundred and twenty-fifth anniversary of the birth of the Rev. Dr. Hosea Ballou, one of the founders and the first president of Tufts College, was observed to-day with a reunion at the college of the Ballou Family Association.

Dr. John A. Cousens, president of Tufts, and James R. Garfield of Cleveland, formerly Secretary of the Interior, were among the speakers at commemorative exercises.

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